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(C/NF) Poloff delivered reftel demarche December 19 to Dr. Hamad Bou Rahman, the Deputy Director of the International Organizations Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Bou Rahman said Kuwait supported reducing the overall payments of the Group of 77 countries, but understood U.S. opposition to increasing the scale of assessments' ceiling rate from 22 to 25 percent. "We have similar problems in the Arab League," he said, noting that Kuwait and Saudi Arabia bear a disproportionate amount of the organization's financial burden. Bou Rahman reported that Kuwait had received and was reviewing a Japanese proposal, which called in part for increasing the payments of Russia and China to the UN.

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